

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 6925

K. HAYASHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2651

Application No.: 09/987,350

Examiner: K. Wong

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Attorney Dkt. No.: 107156-00083

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REPRODUCING INFORMATION AND

STORAGE MEDIUM STORING PROGRAM FOR THE METHOD

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: August 24, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for three months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated February 26, 2004 from June 26, 2004 to August 26, 2004.

Please find attached a check in the amount of \$950 to cover the fee discussed above. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing docket number 107156-00083.

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